



# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HB 2269

DCS; child abuse; neglect; reports

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**DP** Committee on Children and Family Affairs

**DP** Caucus and COW

**X** As Transmitted to the Governor

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## **OVERVIEW**

HB 2269 allows information from the Department of Child Safety's (DCS) case management information system to be used by DCS to license foster homes, certify adoptive homes or in DCS' employment decisions.

## **PROVISIONS**

1. Allows DCS to utilize information from the Children's Information Library and Data Source (CHILDS) in order to license foster homes, certify adoptive homes or in DCS' employment decisions.
2. Makes conforming changes.

## **CURRENT LAW**

A.R.S § 8-804.01 states that all reports of abuse and neglect and related records shall be maintained in CHILDS. In addition, reports and related records must be used by DCS only for assessing the safety and risk to a child when conducting an investigation or identification of abuse or neglect, determining placement for a child that is the least restrictive setting, determining the type and level of services and treatment provided to the child and the child's family, assisting in criminal investigation prosecution of child abuse or neglect and meeting the state and federal reporting requirements.